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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act

1.2 relating to public safety; establishing a pilot program to issue grants to local law

1.3 enforcement agencies to purchase equipment to respond to active shooters in

1.4 schools; appropriating money.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. **ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE EQUIPMENT PILOT PROGRAM.**

1.7 Subdivision 1. **Pilot program establishment.** The commissioner of public safety must

1.8 establish and administer an active shooter response equipment pilot program to award grants

1.9 to eligible law enforcement agencies under this section.

1.10 Subd. 2. **Eligibility; grant awards; maximums.** Each local law enforcement agency

1.11 that does not have, or that has an insufficient quantity of, equipment needed to respond to

1.12 active shooter incidents at the public schools located in the agency's jurisdiction may apply

1.13 for a grant. Grant funds must be used to purchase equipment needed to respond to active

1.14 shooter incidents within schools. In awarding grants, the commissioner must give priority

1.15 to agencies that do not have active shooter response equipment. A grant under the pilot

1.16 program must not exceed a total of \$..... per agency.

1.17 Subd. 3. **Application.** An applicant shall submit a completed form prepared and provided

1.18 by the commissioner of public safety. In addition to any other information required by the

1.19 commissioner, each application must identify the schools in the agency's jurisdiction by the

1.20 grades enrolled at the school, the number of students attending the school, and the specific

1.21 challenges the school's location and design present in responding to an active shooter

1.22 incident. An application must also include a plan to store the active shooter response

1.23 equipment in a location that maximizes rapid access to the equipment during an active

2.1 shooter incident at public schools within the applicant's jurisdiction. The proposed equipment
2.2 storage plan of an applicant must assess the feasibility of storing active shooter response
2.3 equipment in secure locations within public schools.

2.4 Sec. 2. **ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE EQUIPMENT PILOT PROGRAM;**
2.5 **APPROPRIATION.**

2.6 \$..... in fiscal year 2025 is appropriated from the general fund to the commissioner of
2.7 public safety to establish and operate the active shooter response equipment pilot program.
2.8 This is a onetime appropriation.